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Washington DC 20231

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Further to a restriction requirement dated January 29, 2003, kindly amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Kindly replace the present claims 1, 31 and 32 with the following claims in clean form:

B1 1. (Amended) A printing method comprising:

providing a substrate having a surface coated with a film coating comprising at least 25% nano-silica by weight; and

printing on the coated surface with a liquid toner comprising pigmented polymer particles and a carrier liquid.

B2 31. (Twice Amended) A printing method according to claim 1 wherein the surface of the coating is continuous.

B3 32. (Amended) A printing method according to claim 1 wherein the coating is smooth.